

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the Title of the application with the following title:

---Polynucleotide Constructs Encoding Aspartate Kinase, Aspartate-Semialdehyde Dehydrogenase, and Dihydrodipicolinate Reductase and Related Constructs, Products, and Methods---

Please note that "KDB2" as used in paragraph [0049] of the specification as filed appears to have been inadvertently replaced with "KDBH" in corresponding paragraph [0057] of the Published Application. If the specification was inadvertently amended such that it officially reflects this change, please replace --KDBH-- in paragraph [0049] with --KDB2--.

Please replace paragraph [0105] with the following paragraph:

--The primers utilized for cloning experiments included:

<i>Primer Name</i>	<i>Sequence</i>
<i>ask</i> (SEQ ID NO: 17)	5'-GGGTACCTCGCGAAGTAGCACCTGTCAC-3'
<i>asd</i> (SEQ ID NO: 18)	5'-GCGGATCCCCCATCGCCCCTCAAAGA-3'
<i>dapB</i> (SEQ ID NO: 19)	5'-AACGGGCGGTGAAGGGCAACT-3'
<i>ORF2</i> (SEQ ID NO: 25)	5'-GCTCATAGAGTTCAAGGTTACCTTCTTCCC-3'
<i>ddh1</i> (SEQ ID NO: 21)	5'-CCATGGTACCAAGTGCGTGGCGAG-3'
<i>ddh2</i> (SEQ ID NO: 22)	5'-CCATGGTACCACACTGTTTCCTTGC-3'
<i>lysA</i> <sub>(ATG)</sub> (SEQ ID NO: 23)	5'-CCGGAGAAGATGTAACAATGGCTAC-3'
<i>lysA3B</i> (SEQ ID NO: 24)	5'-CCTCGACTGCAGACCCCTAGACACC-3'
<i>dapA</i> (SEQ ID NO: 20)	5'-TGAAAGACAGGGGTATCCAGA-3'